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From the Dean...

The 1980-81 academic year gives every indication of being a positive and productive year for our College. Student enrollment is up, the Center for Applied Urban Research has finally made the move to the Peter Kiewit Conference Center, virtually all of our faculty and administrative positions are filled, and the various college and departmental committees have undertaken significant tasks for the year.

To the faculty and staff who have joined us this year, a warm welcome. To the returning faculty and staff, your experience will be a significant asset to help meet College needs this year.

I am taking this opportunity to bring to your attention some of the College goals for the year. They include:
1. Final revision of the CPACS Constitution.
2. Consideration of a CPACS core curriculum.
3. Adoption of CPACS promotion standards.
4. Substantial review of affirmative action efforts.
5. Examination of alternative strategies for Lincoln programs and offerings.
6. Expanded efforts to secure outside funding, particularly from private sources.
7. Development of activities for the Peter Kiewit Conference Center.

Any contribution you can make to the furtherance of these goals will be greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,

John E. Kerrigan

CAUR Plans
Open House

When—and maybe that should read if—they get settled, the Center for Applied Urban Research plans to invite the other departments of CPACS to an open house in its new quarters in the Peter Kiewit Conference Center.

Moving day for CAUR was October 7 when the vans came to take all the dozens and dozens of cardboard boxes packed up in Annex 15 and as yet largely not unpacked and still sitting in the new library and workroom areas.

The spacious new offices in the northeast section of the third floor are lacking tables and shelves, although the desks and filing cabinets and chairs are in place. Staff members coming to work wend their way through bricklayers working in the first floor lobby and past equipment still stacked on pallets in the corridors.

"We want to get rid of all those cardboard boxes," says Betty Mayhew, office manager, "before we issue an invitation—and we can't do that before the shelves come in."

When she was just 18, Joyce Carson began her first job in the old W. O. W. building, since torn down in order to build the new Peter Kiewit Conference Center. Now she is back at the same site but in a far different setting. Joyce, a CAUR composer technician who does the CPACS Happenings, among other publications, is shown in front of the old building directory in the lobby of the new center.
Six-foot American is 'Sore Thumb' in Japan

David R. DiMartino is in Japan for three months under a Fulbright Commission travel grant to initiate a research program focusing on human service delivery systems in which the Center for Applied Urban Research and Shizuoka University are collaborating. The letter on this page is adapted from one he wrote describing his early impressions. Dr. DiMartino will be returning the end of this month.

I STAND OUT like a "sore thumb," especially in Shizuoka. Shizuoka is off the beaten track for tourists, especially Westerners. I cause double-takes, stares, cautious glances, and silly smiles.

When in a restaurant, I hear "Amerika" in sentences, and someone on the street called out the other day—"Eh! Amerika." I try out my very poor Japanese in restaurants and am constantly surprised by the English responses (though limited). Each time I must ask for "o-hashii" (chopsticks) and prove I can use them; otherwise, I'm given a fork or a worried look.

No Eel—Yet

The food is delicious (squid, seaweed, taro, etc.) though I haven't had the courage to try eel—yet. My favorite so far is "ton-kat-su" (a pork dish with rice, leeks, and assorted ingredients).

The cities are really crowded, especially in the Tokyo rush hour. I had the "pleasure" of taking the subway in Tokyo at 8:00 a.m.—like sardines. My Japanese colleagues speak of the loss of humanity in Tokyo and the pushing and shoving, but I find the rush of Tokyo less hassling than downtown Omaha. People do rush, but they also watch out for one another.

In Shizuoka the streets are mostly very narrow and winding and jammed bumper to bumper during rush hour. The streets are not from the feudal period since Shizuoka was burned out at the end of World War II. (The Japanese are very matter of fact about "the" war.) The main streets are lined with small shops and all have continuous canopies along their lengths over the sidewalks. The underground shopping area near the train station is still closed and being repaired from the gas explosion.

The sidewalks are also lined with literally hundreds of bicycles and motorbikes (all unlocked), especially near main points like the bus stations and department stores. Department stores are the most popular here, and (I'm told) are forcing many small shops out of business. The department stores are high rise, with food shops in the basement and playgrounds for kids on the roof.

Safe, Clean Cities

The cities are both safe and clean (even Tokyo). Exotic, pleasant smells are everywhere.

Shizuoka lies in the Tokaido corridor between Tokyo and Osaka. The city itself is spilling over into surrounding areas. Sprawl is controlled by zoning out everything but agriculture (rice) in part of the delta and setting aside all steep slopes and forested areas as permanent green spaces. The government can invoke eminent domain for projects but hesitates to do so because people don't like it.

The train system is, of course, excellent but almost exclusively passenger, and goods are shipped by truck. The "real city" equivalent to our urbanized areas is called a D-ID (Densely Inhabited District); for example, the Shizuoka D-ID extends into adjacent cities like Shimizu, and the city limits extend well into the rural central Alps but are not urbanized.

I live near the downtown district in an area of somewhat well-to-do families. My street is very narrow, one-way, and lined with stone or cinder-block walls hiding the homes.

Green but Spartan

Universities have pleasant green settings but are stark and spartan. (I've seen the universities in Sapporo, Sendai, Tokyo, and Shizuoka.) Budgets for construction are minimal. Faculty seem to teach about the same load as in the United States, but they seem to be around campus much less, and they seem a bit less concerned and serious about their jobs. I know they feel they're way underpaid, and some have second jobs teaching. They were genuinely surprised at how early I came to my office and the fact that I stay on campus all day.

The International Exchange Committee here is two years old with a representative from each college plus two from the engineering campus. The Shizuoka-UNO agreements are a pet project of President Maruyama and have the support of many important people.

Earthquake Feared

There are constant references and comparisons to "Ameri-ka," especially on TV. A colleague said they aspire to be as good as Amerika. Japanese are avid readers, in subways, buses, restaurants, etc. Many bookstores are always crowded.

There is a real deep fear of a "great quake" here. The periodicity of great quakes has been 50 to 60 years, and the last one was 57 years ago (in Osaka, I think). Shizuoka is the area with the highest frequency of quakes. It's said that if a great quake hits Shizuoka, the university campus will slide down the mountain because the ground will liquify. Oh, oh!

Shizuoka was built around an old capital (castle) of feudal Japan (Seventh Century, I think). The ruins of the castle remain in the center of the city. I haven't seen them yet, but I'll be visiting them eventually. Around the ruins are the sports arena, culture center, city hall, and prefectural hall. To the southwest is the main shopping area or "down town."

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DENNIS HOFFMAN

"We're pleased to be back in the Middle West," says Dennis Hoffman, a new assistant professor of criminal justice.

Last year he and his wife Colleen were in Tampa, Florida where Dennis taught at the University of South Florida. He's an Iowa native, having grown up and gone to high school in Clarion, and much prefers the middle, rather than either end of the country—and he's had experience with both.

He became Dr. Hoffman at Portland State University in Oregon and was also an instructor, research assistant, and learning coordinator there. His doctorate is in urban studies, and he obtained his master's in sociology from Drake University in Des Moines and his bachelor's, also in sociology, from the University of Northern Iowa in Cedar Falls.

Here at UNO he is teaching courses in criminology and deviant behavior. He has found the students responsive and eager to participate.

Dennis's scholarly interests include criminality and deviance, juvenile justice, criminal justice history, and labor relations in the criminal justice system. His non-scholarly interests include cross country skiing and dining out. He and his wife are delighted with all the great opportunities in Omaha to pursue that latter interest.

She claims she's shed her Dutch accent, but don't let her fool you. She still has one after seven years in this country, and it's charming.

She is Dr. Ineke Haen Marshall who started teaching courses in juvenile delinquency, research methods, and survey of corrections this fall.

Married to Chris Marshall, a free-lance sociologist who is teaching one statistics course on campus, Ineke looks more like a student than the assistant professor she is, but don't let her youthful appearance fool you either. She taught three years at Youngstown State University in Youngstown, Ohio and was also a part-time instructor at Drake University in Des Moines, the Des Moines Area Community College, and Iowa State University at Ames. At Bowling Green State University in Ohio she had a teaching fellowship when she was working on her doctorate.

Ineke was born in Tilburg, Netherlands, a city of about 150,000 close to the Belgian border. She obtained the equivalent of a master's degree from the Katholieke Ekonomische Hogeschool there, passing her examination summa cum laude, and her master's in sociology from the College of William and Mary in Williamsburg, Virginia. Getting a fellowship from that college was what brought her to the United States, and she obtained her Ph.D. in sociology from Bowling Green State University, writing her dissertation on "Judicial Decision-Making in the Juvenile Court: An Empirical Test of a Labeling/Conflict Proposition."

Two activities in which she engages are travel (because she likes to) and jogging (because her husband does). She tries to make a trip back to the Netherlands once a year. Ineke received the "Outstanding Young Women of America" award two years ago.

Two small daughters ages four and seven and their dad keep Nancy Whittington busy when she isn't typing letters and reports or answering the telephone at the Center for Applied Urban Research.

Her trip to work was greatly shortened when CAUR moved down to the new Kiewit Conference Center as she lives in Carter Lake. Before starting at UNO in August, Nancy had worked as a transcriber at Municipal Court and also done clerical work in the legal department for Douglas County.

Nancy has been taking courses at Iowa Western Community College with the aim of eventually getting a master's degree in psychology so she can be a counselor.

Tennis, crocheting, bowling, and fishing are activities she enjoys when she has the time which isn't often since her family, her job, and struggling with an algebra course take up most of it.

"Omaha has a lot of features of a large city in a small town atmosphere," says Dr. Larry Siegel, new chairperson of the Criminal Justice Department.

He and his wife Terry moved here in August from Boston where they'd lived ten years, and Larry grew up and went to school in the Bronx so he should know about large cities. Omaha seems new and clean with a nice atmosphere and nice people, he feels, and the Siegels have been most impressed with the quality and low prices of entertainment available.

"In Boston you'd have to pay $50.00 (Continued on Page 5)
DEAN KERRIGAN, Bob Keller, who is head of the Nebraska Probation Administration, and Dr. Janet Porter of the Criminal Justice Department are shown signing a contract to provide legal training for Nebraska and Iowa probation and parole officers.

CJ to Provide Training For Probation Officers

The Department of Criminal Justice in the College of Public Affairs and Community Services, UNO, recently signed a contract with the Nebraska Probation Administration to provide legal training for Nebraska and Iowa probation and parole officers during 1981.

Sessions will be held in January, April, and March in Omaha, Lincoln, and North Platte.

Dr. Janet Porter is directing the development of the study modules. Assisting her are John Badura, a former graduate student who is now assistant chief probation officer with the Omaha Adult Probation Office; Cindi McConnell, a UNO graduate student who is chief probation officer of the Juvenile Court; Jan Glassen, a UNO graduate student; and Mike Gooch, an attorney who is a public defender in Lincoln. Others will be added as the project progresses.

Funds will be provided by the National Institute of Corrections in response to expressed concerns by Nebraska and Iowa probation and parole officers for legal training about issues affecting themselves and their clients. Approximately 150 probation and parole officers will be involved in the training.

The two-day training program will consist of six modules. The first will define due process and the legal ramifications of discretionary decisions, while the second will provide information on the theories of civil liability, civil rights violations, defenses to liability and indemnification of probation and parole officers.

The third section will review legal problems relating to the dissemination of case records, and the fourth will examine the purpose of the exclusionary rule and the leading cases which have constrained or supported actions by probation and parole officers relative to search and seizure or incriminating statements.

Instruction will also be given concerning the legal differences between juvenile and adult offenders and the required documentation and procedures in a probation or parole revocation proceeding in the fifth and sixth modules.

CJ STUDENTS RECEIVE McKELVIE SCHOLARSHIPS

Sally Garcia and Dorothy Lieneman were recently notified that they were each recipients of a $1,000 McKelvie Scholarship from the Political Science Department at UN-L. The scholarships are awarded for scholastic ability and public service.

Sally is a senior in the CJ program in Lincoln and is president of the Student Criminal Justice Organization. Dorothy is a CJ major who graduated last May and is currently a graduate student at UN-L.

DRUGS AND ELDERLY IS CONFERENCE TOPIC

Issues surrounding "Drugs and the Elderly" were discussed at a conference held October 21-22 at the Peter Kiewit Conference Center, 1313 Farnam-on-the-Mall.

The conference was designed for health care professionals, aging network and social service agency personnel, educators, and researchers. The program faculty included national, regional and local experts in drug management for the elderly.

Co-sponsors were the UNO Gerontology Program, the UNO College of Continuing Studies (CCS), the UN-L Division of Continuing Studies, UNMC, and the Creighton University College of Medicine.

CONFERENCE WILL DISCUSS ENERGY AND ELDERLY

A $28,968 grant from the Administration on Aging will fund a national conference on "Energy and the Elderly: A Public Policy Response" in Omaha next spring.

Coordinated by the UNO Gerontology Program, the conference will bring together 150 to 200 experts on aging, energy, and public administration plus researchers and service delivery personnel.

Participants will explore the interrelationships among public policy, administrative action, research findings, and the future energy needs of the elderly.

Conference proceedings will be distributed to policy makers and administrators involved in planning and implementing energy assistance programs for the elderly.

GERONTOLOGY PROGRAM LOSES STAFF MEMBERS

Three staff members of the Gerontology Program have resigned, and one, Gall Kara, is on a year's leave of absence.

Ms. Kara, formerly a training specialist, is working on her doctorate in adult education with an emphasis in gerontology at the University of Michigan this fall.

Dr. Donna Eden, who gave birth to a second daughter, Elizabeth, on May 31, has moved to Charlottesville, Virginia, where her husband, Greg, is an attorney.

Kathy Sullivan, formerly community service assistant/public information coordinator, has resigned that position to stay home with her family.

In mid-August Gail Pettitbone, student assistant, moved to Binghamton, New York, and was married to Daniel Ballare.
Staff Activity

SUNNY ANDREWS
Social Work
Dr. Andrews was recently appointed to the editorial committee of *Health and Social Work*, a quarterly journal of the National Association of Social Workers. He recently served as consultant to the Department of Health and Human Services in considering the “Psycho-Social Components of Comprehensive Hemophilia Care” at a meeting in Washington, D.C., and also to the conference for New England social workers held in Hartford, Connecticut. He presented a paper there titled, “Target Population Behavior as a Major Determinant in Success of Prevention.”

JANE WOODY
JUDY TOMBRINK
Social Work
Dr. Woody and Judy Tombrink, a graduate student in social work, made a presentation, “The Impact of Cancer on Self-Image and Sexuality,” at the National Association of Social Work conference on social work practice with women in Washington, D.C.

BARBARA KENDRICK
CAUR
Barbara Kendrick’s “Paperworks” exhibit has been on display at the Sheldon Memorial Art Gallery in Lincoln. The exhibit included collages utilizing handmade paper, drawings, and a handmade book. Her work was also part of an exhibit this month at the Yellowstone Art Center in Billings, Montana.

CHUCK POWELL
Gerontology
Dr. Powell has been appointed chairman of the Nebraska Advisory Committee on the 1981 White House Conference on Aging by Governor Charles Thone.

JAMES THORSON
Gerontology
Dr. Thorson was a visiting professor at Concordia University in Montreal, Canada, this summer where he taught courses in gerontology and adult education during a six-week summer session. Dr. Thorson also spoke recently on longevity and the demography of aging in the geriatrics lecture series at the Creighton University College of Medicine. He is scheduled to speak at the conference on Creative Ministries with Older Persons in St. Louis, sponsored by the St. Paul School of Theology.

EDNA MILLER
Gerontology
Mrs. Miller received a certificate of completion after attending a two-week session of the Business Managers Institute sponsored by the College of Continuing Studies at UNO.

SAM WALKER
Criminal Justice
Sam Walker will be coordinating the University Honors Program Colloquium for CPACS during the spring semester. The Colloquium is a college-wide effort, drawing upon the resources and perspectives of all CPACS units. The topic for this seminar is “Race and Poverty: Urban Policy and Politics,” with special focus on Omaha. Sam would welcome suggestions from CPACS faculty about how individuals and departments can contribute to the course.

SHIRLEY WASKEL
Gerontology
Dr. Waskel attended the White House Mini-Conference on Older Women on October 9 and 10 in Des Moines. The national two-day workshop was sponsored by the Western Gerontological Society. With Chris Petersen of Concordia University, she has written a project report, “Problem Solving Strategies and the Elderly: A Systematic Approach,” which has been accepted into the bibliographic data base and copy service of the National Clearinghouse on Aging and its Service Center for Aging Information. Her article on “Career Change: Midlife and Older Workers” has been accepted for publication in *Continuing Higher Education*. This article was co-authored by Cheryl Overy, a graduate student in adult and continuing education.

PETER SUZUKI
Urban Studies
An article by Dr. Suzuki, “Structuralism, Autochthonous Architecture, and Urban Design in Indonesia,” is to be published in *Asian Studies*. Dr. Suzuki presented a paper, “Structure, Form, and Tone of the Urban Scenes of German Expressionist Meidner’s Paintings,” at the European Studies Conference in October.

KAREN FOREY
Gerontology
Mrs. Forey is recuperating from knee surgery necessitated by the fact that she was in an automobile accident last month.

CPACS STAFF SERVES ON UNO COMMITTEES
Several CPACS faculty, staff, and students are serving on University committees this year.

Michael McGrath, Social Work, is on the Athletics Committee. Bruce Horacek, Gerontology, is a member of the Improvement of Instruction Committee. Murray Frost, CAUR, and Hobart Burch, Social Work, are both on the Library and Educational Resources Committee, and Jim Thorson, Gerontology, and Donna Farlow, an employee in the dean’s office, are members of the Planning Committee.

Serving on the Research Committee is Dave DiMartino, CAUR—or he will be when he returns from Japan, while G.L. (Pete) Kuchel is on the Special Educational Services Committee.

Bob Miller, a CPACS student, is on the Student Affairs Committee.

FOUR CPACS PROFESSORS SERVE ON FACULTY SENATE
Four CPACS faculty members are currently serving on the UNO Faculty Senate.

They are Dr. Michael McGrath, Dr. Ron Ozaki, Dr. Phil Secret, and Dr. Shirley Waskel.

Dr. McGrath serves on the academic and curricular affairs committee, as does Dr. Secret. Dr. Waskel is on both the faculty personnel and welfare and the intercampus faculty advisory committees, while Dr. Ozaki is a member of the resources and directions committee.

LARRY SIEGEL
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to see ‘My Fair Lady’ including tickets for two and parking all,” he remarked. Both Terry and Larry feel that the Omaha production ranked with any they’d seen anywhere.

Just prior to coming here, Dr. Siegel was an associate professor of criminal justice at Northeastern University in Boston. He obtained his B.A. in sociology from the City College of New York, his master’s in criminal justice from the State University of New York at Albany, and his Ph.D. in the same subject at the same school.

When he isn’t chairpersoning or teaching Introduction to C.J., Larry is trying to beat Mike McGrath at racquet ball. He also likes to go to movies and cook—particularly bread and Chinese food (he’s still searching for a place to get the ingredients here, though). He’s also working on two new books, one on an introduction to C.J. and the other on juvenile delinquency.
Neighborhoods Discussed
At First Kiewit Meeting

The first conference ever held at the new Peter Kiewit Conference Center at 13th and Farnam on the Mall was the Nebraska Neighborhood Workshop/Convention on October 11.

About 200 neighborhood leaders and officials met with William Becker, assistant director of the Wisconsin Energy Extension Service at the University of Wisconsin, to give the keynote address. They then participated in four different workshop sessions.

Mr. Becker, who considers himself a “futurist,” told the group that although this is an era of change with its resultant chaos, the changes are beneficial and positive. “The new trends include decentralization, diversity, increased interest in the quality of life, and learning to live within limits,” he pointed out, “and present trends place neighborhood organizations on the ‘cutting edge’ of the new era.”

Workshop leaders included Henry Moore, executive director of the Joint Center for Political Studies, Washington, D.C.; Dr. Mele Koneya of the Community Resource and Research Center at UN-L; Stuart Bullington of the Omaha Housing and Community Development Department; Dr. Joan Holley of the Center for Applied Urban Research; and Marty Shukert, also of the Omaha Housing and Community Development Department.

Other panel and small group leaders included William Becker, Don Macke, Mayor Al Veys, D. J. Eringtion, Roger Morrissey, Leo Kraft, S.P. Benson, Alden Aust, Charlie Hill, and Richard Takechi.

Mary Ann Hayes served as convention chairman. The theme of the meeting was “Neighborhoods Choose Their Future.”

FOSTER PARENT PROGRAM TRAINS TRAInERS

Three training workshops have been or will be held this fall by the Foster Parent Training Program.

In September Carol Ertl and Pam Stahl trained five teams of foster parents and case workers in the twelve-week basic course at the Nebraska Center for Continuing Education in Lincoln.

Mrs. Ertl and Barbara Kendrick trained in the use of the Fostering the Adolescent curriculum at a workshop at the Boys Town Center for the Study of Youth Development in Omaha October 7 to 11.

The third workshop is planned for October 29 as part of the Fall Social Work Institute and will cover the orientation curriculum, “This Way to Foster Parenting.” This day-long workshop will also be at the Nebraska Center for Continuing Education in Lincoln.

JOHN E. KERRIGAN
DAVID W. HINTON

Dean Kerrigan and Dr. Hinton have had an article, “Knowledge and Skill Needs for Tomorrow’s Public Administrators,” published in the Public Administration Review for September/October.

PAUL S.T. LEE
CAUR

Dr. Lee presented a paper, “Precision of Estimates in Regression Analysis,” at the 140th annual meeting of the American Statistical Association in Houston, Texas recently.

He received an appreciation award from the Franklin Community Federal Credit Union for his community service work and has also been nominated as a project evaluator for the National Science Foundation.

DR. MAXINE MIMMS
HERE ON EXCHANGE

Through a faculty exchange program, Dr. Maxine Mims from Evergreen State College in Olympia, Washington, is on the UNO campus this year working with the Goodrich Program.

While Dr. Mims is here, Gail Tremblay is taking her place at Evergreen. Both are on a year’s leave of absence from their home institutions.

Dr. Mims is coordinator and director of the Learning Services Center at Evergreen. The Happenings will have more about her in the next issue.

IMPRESSIONS OF JAPAN
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- Shizuoka is squeezed between the Japanese Alps and the Pacific Ocean (Suruga Bay) on the delta of the Abe River. It’s on the widest part of Honshu Island, but the Alps are also widest here, so the main transportation routes run through the city, including the Shinkansen (bullet train). Mt. Fuji is not far away to the northeast. Shizuoka is also the southern-most area of Japan, and warmest in summer (good for rice). Tea, oranges, strawberries and many vegetables are grown inland from the city.

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